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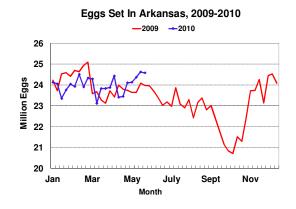
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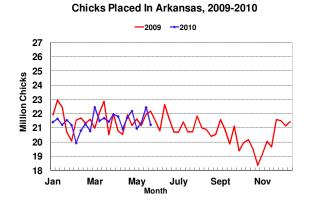
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Arkansas Chick Placements Down 4 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 21.2 million during the week ending May 29, 2010. Placements were down 4 percent from the comparable week in 2009 and down 5 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 24.6 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending May 29, 2010, up 3 percent from the same period last year but down slightly from the previous week.





Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, May 1, 2010 - May 29, 2010

State	Eggs Set Week Ending					Chicks Placed					
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	1-May	8-May	15-May	22-May	29-May	1-May	8-May	15-May	22-May	29-May	
	Thousand					Thousand					
Alabama	30,902	30,489	30,418	30,776	30,709	21,332	21,383	21,189	21,264	21,702	
Arkansas	24,098	24,124 *	24,365	24,621 *	24,578	22,183	20,938	21,337	22,440 *	21,211	
Delaware	3,787	3,771	3,796	3,813	3,815	5,150	4,657	5,053	4,757	4,753	
Florida	1,380	1,391	1,388	1,388	1,382	955	1,008	1,129	1,022	1,040	
Georgia	31,665	31,765	32,372	32,484	32,479	27,144	26,866	26,148	26,958 *	26,971	
Kentucky	7,948	8,074 *	7,892	7,858	7,938	6,824	6,345	5,440	6,363	6,832	
Louisiana	3,500	3,319	3,319	3,409	3,470	3,153	3,142	3,296	3,186	3,021	
Maryland	7,059	8,050	8,018	8,240	7,987	6,588	6,130	6,446	5,618	6,843	
Mississippi	18,816	19,170 *	19,282 *	19,140	19,368	16,770	16,794 *	16,838 *	16,832	16,578	
N. Carolina	20,033	19,864 *	20,006	20,161	19,989	15,382 *	15,362	15,547	15,247	15,080	
Oklahoma	6,747	6,873	6,924	6,633	6,698	3,609	4,900	4,135	3,191	4,481	
Pennsylvania	3,735	3,643	3,832 *	4,144 *	3,768	2,945	3,048	3,055 *	3,077 *	2,963	
S. Carolina	5,839	5,789	5,796	6,004	5,769	4,485	4,631	5,762	4,940	5,060	
Texas	15,920	16,048 *	16,108	16,256	16,227	12,937	12,909	12,952	13,094	13,226	
Virginia	6,616	6,531	6,429	6,411	6,437	5,037	5,905	5,487	5,613	4,902	
CA,MO,TN & WV	18,913	19,831	20,034	20,157 *	20,152	17,894	16,778	18,036	16,949	18,022	
19 State Total	206,958	208,732 *	209,979 *	211,495 *	210,766	172,388 *	170,796 *	171,850 *	170,551 *	172,685	
Prev. Year Total	201,582	204,581	205,499	205,375	206,039	169,262	169,977	168,175	167,722	169,961	
% of Prev. Year	103	102	102	103	102	102	100	102	102	102	

^{*} Revised in current week.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Up 2 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 211 million eggs in incubators during the week ending May 29, 2010. This was up 2 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler Chicks Placed Up 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 173 million chicks for meat production during the week ending May 29, 2010. Placements were up 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 3, 2010 through May 29, 2010 were 3.54 billion, up slightly from the same period a year earlier.